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FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there Chinese Premier, Canadian Deputy Prime Minister and US Secretary of State during their recent visit to India talked about combating terrorism;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether these countries have a common approach to combat terrorism in the world, particularly in Pakistan;

(d) if so, whether any action plan has been worked out by these countries in this regard; and

(e) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) - (e) During the visits of Premier of the State Council of the People`s Republic of China (January 13-18, 2002), Deputy Prime Minister of Canada (January 20-22, 2002) and US Secretary of State (17-18 January, 2002), we had wide ranging discussions on bilateral and other issues of mutual interest. There were extensive exchanges of views on the issue of international terrorism. We agreed on the need to strengthen international cooperation to combat international terrorism. We agreed that all countries have an obligation not to support cross border terrorism or to provide assistance, support or safe haven to terrorists. As is known, the U.S. reiterated its position that terrorism will combated everywhere in the world, including terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir. We have a common commitment to implement the provisions of UN Security Council Resolution 1373 which spells out many measures to combat terrorism.